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Parking Announcement for Outdoor Dining Robocall
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Good afternoon.

This is Northampton Mayor David Narkewicz calling with important information about changes in parking patterns on Main Street in Northampton.

I am declaring a selective parking ban in support of our continued efforts to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. Starting at 11:00 pm tonight, Monday, March 29, 2021, all of Main Street in downtown Northampton between Market Street and State Street and Old South Street, Pleasant Street from Main Street to Pearl Street, all of Strong Avenue and Pearl Streets, and Masonic Street from Button Avenue to Main Street will be closed to parking in order to street sweep and set up outdoor dining areas. The ban will remain in effect until the DPW completes its work, which is expected to be by 12:00 Noon on Tuesday, March 30th, 2021. Residents are encouraged to use the Parking Garage and off-street parking lots until that time.

The DPW will be placing concrete barriers that will narrow the roadway and make it safe for our restaurants to place tables outside consistent with current regulations for the reopening of food establishments for outdoor dining. Please do not park in this area after 11:00 pm tonight Monday, March 29th.

Any remaining cars in this area after 11:00 pm will be towed. Once complete, Restaurants will be working with the city to obtain necessary approvals, permits, and inspections to begin outdoor operations.

This effort represents the city's first steps in 2021 to reshape downtown to allow for outdoor dining. In the days and weeks ahead there may be additional actions taken in other parts of the downtown area. Thank you and have a good evening.